

Surah 79 Surah Naazi'aat

THOSE WHO EXTRACT

THE LINK BETWEEN SURAH NAAZI'AAT AND SURAH NABA

Surah Naba mentions only the bounties of Allaah given to man in this world, without mentioning the adversities that he also has to endure. People are expected to call to mind the adversities as well. Just as Allaah will bestow bounties on people on the Day of Qiyaamah, He will also mete out punishment.

Moving a step closer, *Surah Naazi'aat* mentions that the angels of death will also behave in a like manner when claiming people's souls. While they will be gentle and compassionate towards the pious *Mu'mineen*, they will be harsh towards the *Kuffaar*.

A SUMMARY OF THE SURAH

The beginning of the *Surah* describes the angels of death when they claim people's souls. This indicates the rewards and punishment people will receive in the *Aakhirah*. Verses 6 to 9 describe the horror of the Day of Judgement, which will terrify people. Allaah then mentions the *Kuffaar* who refute resurrection and question the advent of *Qiyaamah*. They mockingly asked whether decomposed bones can be brought back to life.

“Has the story of Moosa عليه السلام reached you?... until the words...There is certainly a lesson in this for the one who fears (Allaah's punishment)” [verses 15 to 26]. Here, Allaah cites an example of His punishment in this world which the *Kuffaar* will suffer. Allaah talks about how *Fir'oun* rejected the message of Moosa عليه السلام and was eventually destroyed by punishment in this very world. Of course, he will still have to face worse punishment in the *Aakhirah*.

In verses 27 to 33, Allaah asks whether resurrection can be more difficult than the initial creation of all His creation like the skies, the mountains and all the fauna and flora. The verse prompts people to realise that resurrecting previously created phenomena cannot be difficult for the Mighty Allaah, Who has created so many other creatures from nothing.

From verses 34 to 39, Allaah again warns people about the Day of *Qiyaamah*. Thereafter, glad tidings are given to the pious *Mu'mineen* who will be admitted into *Jannah* [verses 40 and 41]. In the concluding verses Allaah refers to those who ask Rasulullaah ﷺ about the actual time when *Qiyaamah* will take place. Only Allaah possesses this knowledge.

سُوْرَةُ النَّازِعَاتِ
بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

In the name of Allaah, the Most Compassionate, the Most Merciful

وَالنَّازِعَاتِ غَرْقًا ۝١

1. By the oath of those angels who harshly extract (tear out the souls of the Kuffaar)...

وَاللَّشَّاطِطِ نَشْطًا ۝٢

2. ... (By) those (angels) who (draw out the souls of the Mu'mineen as gently as they) untie knots...

وَالسَّيْحَاتِ سَبْحًا ۝٣

3. ...those who (speedily take the souls of the dead to the heavens as if they) are swimming along (quickly)...

فَالسَّيْقَاتِ سَبْقًا ۝٤

4. ...who then swiftly race (along with the souls after Allaah instructs them whether the soul should be rewarded among the righteous or punished with the Kuffaar and sinners)...

فَالْمُدَبِّرَاتِ أَمْرًا ۝٥

5. ...and (by the oath of) those (angels) who arrange (to carry out) the commands (of Allaah).

يَوْمَ تَرْجُفُ الرَّاجِفَةُ ۝٦

6. The day (of Qiyaamah shall certainly take place) when that (the first blowing of the trumpet) which shakes (things) shall (cause them to) shake (and collapse)...

تَتَّبِعُهَا الرَّادِفَةُ ۝٧

7. ...to be followed by that (the second blowing of the trumpet) which will follow. (After the first blowing of the trumpet causes everything to perish, the second blowing will bring creation back to life for reckoning.)

وقف لازم

قُلُوبٌ يَوْمَئِذٍ وَاجِفَةٌ ۝٨

8. On that day, many hearts will be fluttering (throbbing with fear and worry)...

أَبْصَارُهَا خَاشِعَةٌ ۝٩

وقف لا اذعر

9. ...with their gazes cast down (in embarrassment for what they did in the world and in humility before Allaah).

يَقُولُونَ إِنَّا لَمَرْدُودُونَ فِي الْحَافِرَةِ ۝١٠

10. They (the Kuffaar) say, "Will we be returned to our former states (will we be raised up on the Day of Qiyaamah)..."

إِذَا كُنَّا عِظَامًا تَّخِرَةً ۝١١

11. "...even after we have (died and) become decayed bones?"

قَالُوا إِنَّكَ إِذْ أَكْرَعْتَ خَاسِرَةٌ ۝١٢

وقف لا اذعر

12. They (sarcastically) say, "In that case (if we are resurrected) the return shall be a tremendous loss (to us because we have not prepared)."

فَإِنَّمَا هِيَ زَجْرَةٌ وَاحِدَةٌ ۝١٣

13. It will be only a single blast (of the trumpet to signal the arrival of Qiyaamah)...

فَإِذَا هُمْ بِالسَّاهِرَةِ ۝١٤

14. ...and they will all immediately be awakened (from their graves to present themselves for Reckoning).

هَلْ أَتَاكَ حَدِيثُ مُوسَى ۝١٥

وقف لا اذعر

15. Has the story of Moosa ﷺ reached you?

إِذْ نَادَاهُ رَبُّهُ بِالْوَادِ الْمُقَدَّسِ طُوًى ۝١٦

16. (Remember the time) When his Rabb called him in the holy valley of Tuwa (and commanded him to take the message of Towheed to Fir'oun and his people).

إِذْهَبْ إِلَىٰ فِرْعَوْنَ إِنَّهُ طَغَىٰ ۖ

17. (Allaah said to Moosa عليه السلام) “Go to (preach Towheed to) Fir'oun for he has certainly transgressed (has become rebellious).”

فَقُلْ هَلْ لَّكَ إِلَىٰ أَنْ تَزَكَّىٰ ۖ

18. “Tell him, 'Do you want to be purified (from kufr and sin) ?'”

وَأَهْدِيكَ إِلَىٰ رَبِّكَ فَتَخْشَىٰ ۚ

19. “And should I guide you to your Rabb so that you may fear (Him) ?”

فَأَرَاهُ الْآيَةَ الْكُبْرَىٰ ۖ

20. So he (Moosa عليه السلام) showed him (Fir'oun) a great Aayah (many miracles).

فَكَذَّبَ وَعَصَىٰ ۖ

21. But he (Fir'oun) rejected (the message) and disobeyed (the commands of Allaah that Moosa عليه السلام conveyed to him).

ثُمَّ ادْبَرَ لِيَسْعَىٰ ۖ

22. Then he turned back and applied himself (plotted to defeat Moosa عليه السلام).

فَحَشَرَ فَنَادَىٰ ۖ

23. He (then) gathered the people and announced...

فَقَالَ أَنَا رَبُّكُمُ الْأَعْلَىٰ ۖ

24. ... “I am your highest Rabb!”

فَأَخَذَهُ اللَّهُ نَكَالَ الْآخِرَةِ وَالْأُولَىٰ ۖ

25. So (because of his rebellion) Allaah seized him with the punishment of this world (drowning) and (also of) the Akhirah (Jahannam).

إِنَّ فِي ذَلِكَ لَعِبْرَةً لِّمَنْ يَخْشَى ۝٢٦

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26. There is certainly a lesson (to ponder over) in this for the one who fears (Allaah's punishment).

ءَأَنْتُمْ أَشَدُّ خَلْقًا أَمِ السَّمَاءُ بَنَاهَا ۝٢٧

27. Are you (mankind) more difficult to create or the sky (which is much larger)? (If Allaah could create something as immense and magnificent as the sky, resurrecting mankind on the Day of Qiyaamah is extremely easy for Him.) Allaah has created it (the sky)...

رَفَعَ سَمَكَهَا فَسَوَّاهَا ۝٢٨

28. ...elevated (lifted) its roof (made it tower above the earth), perfected it (so that no cracks are found)...

وَأَغْطَشَ لَيْلَهَا وَأَخْرَجَ ضُحَاهَا ۝٢٩

29. ...made its night dark and made its light manifest (by the rising and setting of the sun).

وَالْأَرْضَ بَعْدَ ذَلِكَ دَحَاهَا ۝٣٠

30. Thereafter (after creating all this in sky), Allaah spread out the earth.

أَخْرَجَ مِنْهَا مَاءَهَا وَمَرْعَاهَا ۝٣١

31. He extracted (brought out) from the earth her water and fodder (plants)...

وَالْجِبَالَ أَرْسَاهَا ۝٣٢

32. ...and firmly stationed the mountains.

مَتَاعًا لَّكُمْ وَلِأَنْعَامِكُمْ ۝٣٣

33. All this (was done) for your benefit (use) and for the benefit of your animals (so that you all can have food to eat and water to drink).

فَإِذَا جَاءَتِ الطَّامَّةُ الْكُبْرَى ۝٣٤

34. So when the tremendous^(great) calamity (Qiyaamah) befalls^(comes)...

يَوْمَ يَتَذَكَّرُ الْإِنْسَانُ مَا سَعَىٰ ۝٣٥

35. ...that day man will remember what^(actions) he did^(in his lifetime)...

وَبُرِّرَّتِ الْجَحِيمُ لِمَنْ يَرَىٰ ۝٣٦

36. ...and Jahannam will be clearly visible to those who look on.

فَأَمَّا مَنْ طَغَىٰ ۝٣٧

37. As for the one who transgresses^(the commands of Allaah)...

وَأَشْرَ الْحَيٰوةَ الدُّنْيَا ۝٣٨

38. ...and who prefers the life of this world^(to the Aakhirah)...

فَإِنَّ الْجَحِيمَ هِيَ الْمَأْوَىٰ ۝٣٩

39. ...then Jahannam shall certainly be his abode^(final destination.)

وَأَمَّا مَنْ خَافَ مَقَامَ رَبِّهِ وَنَهَى النَّفْسَ عَنِ الْهَوَىٰ ۝٤٠

40. As for the one who fears standing^(to account for his actions) before his Rabb and who restrains himself from carnal passions^(lowly desires)...

فَإِنَّ الْجَنَّةَ هِيَ الْمَأْوَىٰ ۝٤١

41. ...then Jannah shall definitely be his abode.

يَسْأَلُونَكَ عَنِ السَّاعَةِ أَيَّانَ مُرْسَاهَا ۝٤٢

42. They^(the Kuffaar sarcastically) ask you^(O Rasoolullah ﷺ) about when Qiyaamah will take place.

فِيمَا أَنْتَ مِنْ ذِكْرِهَا ۝٤٣

43. What have you to tell about it^{(when you have no knowledge about when it will occur)?}

إِلَىٰ رَبِّكَ مُنتَهٰهَا ۖ

44. To your Rabb belongs (the knowledge of) **its term.** (Only Allaah knows when Qiyaamah will take place.)

إِنَّمَا أَنْتَ مُنذِرٌ مَّن يَّخْشٰهَا ۖ

45. You (O Rasoolullah ﷺ) **are a warner only to him who fears it** (Qiyaamah because only he will take heed).

كَأَنَّهُمْ يَوْمَ يَرَوْنَهَا لَمْ يَلْبِتُوا إِلَّا عَشِيَّةً أَوْ ضُحٰهَا ۖ

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46. The day when they see it (Qiyaamah), **it will seem** (to them) **as if they had lived** (tarried in this world and in the grave for) **only an evening or a morning** (compared to Qiyaamah which will be so long and dreadful).